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Americanism

By LEONARD WOOD

Citizens by birth or choice of a common country, that country has a right to concentrate your affections.—George Washington's Farewell Address.

GEORGE WASHINGTON made no distinction so far as citizenship was concerned between the native born and the foreign born American. In the words quoted from his farewell address he takes it for granted that both are alike in their heart devotion to the common country.

Washington shows by the other words of the sentence quoted that America should not be dependent upon the "whim of love" of its citizens, native born or foreign born, but that it has a right to demand loyalty and concentration of affection.

There are men today who seemingly believe that, even though living under the protection of a land enjoying its beneficent laws and its opportunities, they may or they may not, as they will, yield to it unswerving loyalty. The country has become their own either by birth or by their expressed desire through the process of naturalization. If they do not like it they can leave it, but while they are citizens by birth or by choice the country has a right to their loyal service.

Washington's words are a compelling chapter head for a lesson in Americanization. There are some men, and women too, who in this day take a light view of the sacredness of the ties of country. The masses of Americans of course are patriotic and the word covers the entire field of devotion, but there are those here and there, in considerable numbers in some places, who plead what might be called a self-determination of conduct and who would loose themselves and try to loose others from the bonds which hold them to their duty to the country.

Washington believed in the future of his country. He knew how well the Fathers had builded and he believed that the foundation and structure would withstand the assaults of time and human enemies. Recently the assaults have become more persistent and more vicious. The assailants are not Americans even though they may have been born here or may have come here to go through the mockery of acquiring citizenship. It is something for Americans to know the nature of the enemy in order that they may overcome him.

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They that can give up essential liberty to obtain temporary safety deserve neither liberty nor safety.—Benjamin Franklin.

THESE words of Franklin were quoted constantly during our Revolutionary war to fix the determination of the patriots and to show to the wavering the folly if not the wickedness of attempting to secure fleeting safety for themselves at the expense of conscience and of the assurance of ultimate liberty.

Franklin's words have in them no comfort for the coward or the trimmer. They are a brave man's words delivered in the hope of making all men brave. They are good American words; as good today as when they were written a century and three quarters ago. They appear as the motto of Franklin's "Historic Review of Pennsylvania" and they appear also in the body of that work.

The text is uneasy reading for the man who would compromise in order to save his skin. They were words which well might have been used in some places in this country during the late war. Essential liberty in the world was one reason for our entering into the great conflict. There were those who pleaded the necessity of "safety," which at best could be only a temporary safety, and as truly today as yesterday those who so pleaded deserve "neither liberty nor safety."

Americanism means that devotion to the essentials of liberty which will forbid a man from temporizing or compromising when the essentials of liberty are endangered. What Franklin made the motto of his so-called Review might well be made the foreword of the book, "Americanism." The words are full of courage and they have in them also that irony which hurts or ought to hurt the man who would compromise when the demand for real patriotism is made.

There are ten thousand texts in the writings of the Fathers from which lessons in Americanism may be taught. Franklin wrote and used many such texts. They were for all time, serviceable now as they were serviceable then. They will continue to be beneficial until the world in all its parts has learned the lesson of real freedom and has profited by it. Benjamin Franklin has been called a homespun statesman. The description is full of meat. Franklin's life in the finer sense largely was homespun. He had many virtues and many human faults, but take him all in all he was one of the great figures of the time in which he lived. He was a thorough American.

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Mary Pickford in "Pollyanna"—Idlehour Friday.—adv

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NOTICE

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

You are hereby notified that the following resolution has been duly adopted by the City Commission of the City of Alma and that said City Commission will be in session at its Chambers in the City Hall in said City of Alma, on Tuesday, the 20th day of April, 1920, at 8 o'clock p. m. of said day, at which time the said City Commission will hear any objections that may have been filed in the office of the City Clerk relative to vacating, abolishing and setting aside of all the streets, avenues and alleys, in what is known as the "Old Fairground Plat" Addition to the City of Alma, Michigan, according to the original plat thereof now on file in the office of the Register of Deeds for Gratiot county, Michigan, and which said streets, avenues and alleys were heretofore dedicated to the use of the public, except such as are a part of Block 29, in said "Old Fairground Plat" Addition, aforesaid; and you are hereby further notified that any person may file his or her objections thereto with the said City Clerk, at any time prior to said 20th day of April, 1920, at 8 o'clock p. m., and that those who do file such objections may also be heard orally by said City Commission at the time above mentioned for such hearing.

Whereas, the following named persons, namely, Earl Morris and Grace Morris, his wife, Charles G. Rhodes and Edna B. Rhodes, his wife, Thomas A. Burt and Jessie B. Burt, his wife, and Charles O. Ward and Della S. Ward, his wife, are the owners and proprietors of lands embraced in plat known and designated "Old Fairground Plat" except some portions thereon on Block 20 of said plat which have been heretofore sold; and

Whereas, said parties are about to re-plat and re-name said plat to be hereinafter known as "Shadow Lawn" Addition to the City of Alma, Michigan, and for that purpose desire and expect to change the location and description of the streets and alleys as now described and located on said "Old Fairground Plat," said streets and alleys having been heretofore dedicated to and accepted by said City of Alma, Michigan, now therefore be it

Resolved by the City Commission now in session, that all the streets, avenues and alleys as laid out, described and dedicated to the use of the public, according to the recorded plat of said "Old Fairground Plat" addition to the said City of Alma, Michigan, be and the same are hereby vacated, abolished and set aside, except those on Block 20 thereof, and be it further

Resolved that the said City Commission will meet and hear objections if any, relative to the vacating, abolishing and setting aside of the said streets, avenues and alleys laid out, described and dedicated to the public in said "Old Fair Ground Plat" Addition to the said City of Alma, except those on Block twenty of said Plat, on Tuesday, the 20th day of April, A. D. 1920, at 8 o'clock p. m. of said day, at the Chambers of said City Commission in the City Hall of said City of Alma; and be it further

Resolved that the required notice be given for the vacating, abolishing and setting aside of said streets, avenues and alleys aforesaid, as is required by Section 5 of Chapter XXXIII of the City Charter.

JESSIE WOLFORD, City Clerk.

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PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY ELECTION.

To the Qualified Electors of the City of Alma, State of Michigan:

Notice is hereby given, that the April Presidential Primary Election will be held on Monday, April 5, A. D. 1920, at the place of holding the annual city election in the several wards of the said city, due legal notice of which has been given.

At which election the qualified voters of the several political parties shall have the opportunity of expressing their preference as to nominees of their respective parties for the office of President of the United States, in accordance with Act 9, Public Acts of the First Extra Session of 1915, as amended by Act No. 219, Public Acts of 1915. Some of the provisions of said Act are briefly as follows:

The name of any candidate for the office of president will be printed on the official primary ballot, upon petition of their political supporters in Michigan, which petition must be signed by not less than 100 of the qualified voters of each political party, said petition to be filed on or before the first day of March, 1920; the names to be alternated on the ballot in accordance with the provisions of the State Primary Election Laws, the ballot to be in the following form:

Official Primary Election Ballot
Party April 5, 1920

To vote for a person whose name appears on the ballot, mark an (X) in the square in front of the name of the person for whom you wish to vote. To vote for a person whose name is not on the ballot, write his name on the blank space provided therefor. Vote only for one person.

JOHN JONES
WILLIAM SMITH
THOMAS RYAN

Separate ballots for each political party are to be provided. The candidate receiving the highest number of votes in the State at said election, shall be declared the candidate and the choice of such political party for this State.

NATIONAL COMMITTEEMAN PRIMARY

Notice is further hereby given, that at the time and place of holding the April Presidential Primary Election, as herein above designated, a separate and distinct Primary Election will be held for the nomination of the members of the National Committee of the various political parties of this State, in accordance with Act No. 382, Public Acts of 1913. The provisions of this law are briefly as follows:

A list of all candidates for the office of national committeeman shall be printed on the official primary ballot solely upon the petition of their political supporters in Michigan, which petition shall be signed by not less than one hundred of the qualified voters of each political party, and said petition shall

be filed with the secretary of state on or before twelve o'clock noon, March 1st, nineteen hundred twenty, the names to be alternated on the ballot in accordance with the provisions of the State Primary Law.

On the first Monday in April, 1920, there shall be held a Primary Nominating Election in every voting precinct of the State, at which the qualified voters of the several political parties shall have the opportunity on separate ballots provided for that purpose to express their preference for the members of the National Committee of their respective parties.

The official ballot shall be as follows:
Official Primary Election Ballot
Party April 5, 1920

To vote for one (1) person whose name appears on the ballot, mark an (X) in the square in front of one of the names of the persons for whom you desire to vote. To vote for a person whose name is not on the ballot, write his name in the blank space provided therefor. Vote for only one (1) person.

JOHN JONES
THOMAS RYAN
WILLIAM SMITH

The candidate receiving the highest number of votes in the State at said election shall be declared the candidate and the choice of such political party for the office of National Committeeman.

The Polls of each of said Primary Elections heretofore designated will be open at 7 o'clock a. m., and will remain open until 6 o'clock p. m. of said day of election.

Dated March 1, 1920 Jessie Wolford, City Clerk

See Al St. Johns in "Cleaning Up" Idlehour Monday and Tuesday.—ad

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